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Total Claims **18** -20\*\* = **0** X **0** = **0**  
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103	13	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102	30	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	30	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	13	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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105	130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,390	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219 155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221 135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243 220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244 300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246 355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249 355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279 355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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